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DEPLOYMENT OF SOLDIERS IN PEACEKEEPING MISSION
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian soldiers deployed in different countries at present under UN peacekeeping mission, country-wise;

(b) the number of casualties of such soldiers took place during 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 so far; and

(c) the details of the compensations paid to the kith and kin of the deceased soldiers?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) The strength of Indian soldiers deployed in United Nations (UN) Peace Keeping Missions, country-wise, as on date, is as follows:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Country	No. of Personnel
1.	Democratic Republic of Congo	3551
2.	Lebanon	648
3.	Ethiopia-Eritrea	1554
4.	Ivory Coast	8
5.	Burundi	11
6.	Sudan	175
7	UN Headquarters, New York	2

(b) While no casualties occurred in the year 2004, two casualties have been reported during the year 2005.

(c) The compensation to the next of kin of the deceased soldiers is paid as per the extant norms of the Army or UN which includes gratuity, ex-gratia, liberalized family pension and Army Group Insurance Fund (AGIF).